

**CALIFORNIA OFF-HIGHWAY MOTOR VEHICLE RECREATION
COMMISSION**

MEETING MINUTES
CLUB BALLROOM A
LIONS GATE HOTEL & CONFERENCE CENTER
3410 WESTOVER STREET
McCLELLAN, CALIFORNIA
AUGUST 18, 2004

(MINUTES APPROVED OCTOBER 29, 2004 AS PRESENTED)

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

Judith A. Anderson, Acting Chair
John E. Brissenden
Edward H. Waldheim

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT

Robert F. Chavez
Michael F. Prizmich
Paul J. Spitler
Harold M. Thomas

DIVISION STAFF PRESENT

Kathryn Tobias, Legal Counsel, DPR
Daphne C. Greene, Deputy Director, OHMVR Division
Anthony I. Perez, Chief, OHMVR Division
Rick LeFlore, Superintendent IV, OHMVR Division
Lisa McClung, Associate Park & Recreation Specialist, OHMVR Division
David Quijada, Associate Park & Recreation Specialist, OHMVR Division
Lowell Landowski, Associate Park & Recreation Specialist, OHMVR Division
Clark Woy, Associate Park & Recreation Specialist, OHMVR Division
Jeff Gaffney, Supervising Ranger, OHMVR Division
Laurie Taylor, Executive Secretary, OHMVR Division

OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

Kenneth J. Pogue, Deputy Attorney General

REGISTERED VISITORS

Mike Clark, Napa County Sheriff
Bill MacDonald, Napa County Sheriff
Douglas Poppelreuter, CA4WDC
Doug Pringle, DSUSA
Ray McCray, USDA Forest Service, Six Rivers NF
Jim Keeler, BLM, Ca State Office
Jay Dobler, CNSA
Susan Barron, Plumas NF
Fred J. Krueger, Plumas NF
Cory Eden, USDA Forest Service, Mendocino NF
Don Amador, BRC
Michael Gray, El Dorado County
Richard L. Rogers, Tuolumne County Sheriff's Dept.
Ed Moore, USFS, Tahoe NF
Dave Pickett, AMA D-36 Motorcycle Sports Committee
Mike Steinhauser, Oceano Fire Department
Michael Bacon, Santa Clara County Parks & Recreation
David Piper, Stanislaus County Parks & Recreation
Cathy Gomez, Stanislaus County
Cole Hampton, Mono County Sheriff's Office
Garrett Villanueva, Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit, F.S.
Stephanie Heller, Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit, F.S.
Pete Jimenez, Humboldt County Sheriff
Jon Jue, Eldorado National Forest
Doug Ridley, LTBMU, USFS
Don Klusman, CA4WDC
Jake Albright, Feather Falls Cascade Club
Brian White, BLM, Hollister
Anthony Botello, USFS, Pioneer
Lester Lubetkin, Eldorado NF
Victor Lyon, LTBMU, USFS
Ron McFall, Calaveras County Sheriff's Department
Diane Craig, USFS Regional Office, Vallejo
Nora Hubbard, USFS, Modoc NF
George Barnes, Sierra Club California
Gary Honroth, Feather Falls Cascade Club
Jeff Applegate, Mendocino NF
Matthew Piper, Mendocino NF
Warren Beckman, Mendocino, NF
Sylvia Milligan, CNSA-ROC
Laura Bates, MNF
Jim Gibson, Snowlands Network
Marcus Libkind, Snowlands Network
Fred Wiley, CA/Nevada Snowmobile Assoc

Lewis & Ardelle Crockett, CA/Nev Snowmobile Assn.
M. Ruhstorfer, Santa Clara County Parks & Recreation
Terry Woodrow, Alpine County Board of Supervisors
Jeff Sanford, Alpine County Sheriff's Office
Chaz O'Brien, Inyo NF
Eugene Cunningham, citizen/landowner, Salinas
Warren Alford, Interface Agreement for Community Trails
David Wheeler, Interface agreement for Community Trails
Brad Colin, BLM, Ukiah FO
Jeff Wiley, Tahoe National Forest
Dennis Cooley, Butte County Sheriff's Office
Susan Tiffany, Butte County Sheriff
Judith Spencer, CORE
Norm Carpenter, USFS, Sequoia, Porterville
Tom Quinn, USFS, Stanislaus NF
Jerry Perez, USFS, Stanislaus NF
Bob Kelso, Stanislaus Recreation Stakeholders,
Elizabeth Norton, Lassen NF
Gary Schiff, Humboldt-Toiyabe NF
Larry Randall, Humboldt-Toiyabe NF
Don Harris, Humboldt-Toiyabe NF
Sue Warren, Stanislaus NF
Jeff Gaffney, OHV HQ
Susan Burkindin, USFS, Sierra NF
Ed Waldheim, OHV Commission, CORVA, AMA D-37
Jill Dampier, Auburn SRA, Mammoth Bar
Mike Lynch, Auburn SRA, Mammoth Bar
Joe Hoffman, Plumas NF
Sky Zaffarano, Redding BLM
Karen Schambach, CSNC/PEER
Dannas Berchtold, Mammoth Bar Task Force

CALL TO ORDER

Acting Chair Judith Anderson called the meeting to order at 9:06 a.m., in Club Ballroom A, Lions Gate Hotel and Conference Center, 3410 Westover Street, McClellan, California 95652.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Acting Chair Anderson led the meeting attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Three members were present for this public hearing on the Northern California Grants and Cooperative Agreements.

Acting Chair Anderson stated that this meeting is an opportunity for the members of the public and grant applicants to make comments and identify issues of concern prior to the Division making staff recommendations and the members of the Commission taking action on these grants. Members of the public and grant applicants are encouraged to identify specific grants they would like to discuss. Grants will be heard based in the order as they appear on the spreadsheet attached to the agenda. These specific grants will then be called in order and those wishing to make public comment will be given the opportunity to do so.

No action will be taken by the Commission on any grant at this meeting other than to hear public comment.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

The agenda was approved by consensus of the Commission members present.

REVIEW – NORTHERN CALIFORNIA GRANTS AND COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS

Following is a list of the grant and cooperative agreements and the people or groups that spoke for each one:

OR-694, Alpine County Sheriff

Don Klusman, CA4WDC, support
Don Amador, BRC, support
Terry Woodrow, Alpine County Board of Supervisors, support
Jay Dobler, CNSA, support
Marcus Libkind, Snowlands Network, support
Jeff Sanford, Alpine County Sheriff Dept., support

OR-708, Butte County Sheriff

Don Klusman, CA4WDC, support

OR-682, Calaveras County Sheriff

Ron McFall, Calaveras County Sheriff Dept., support
Judith Spencer, CORE, support
Jeff Sanford, Alpine County Sheriff Dept., support
Marcus Libkind, Snowlands Network, support
Bob Kelso, Mountain Alliance, support

OR-705, City of Porterville-Parks & Leisure
OR-680, City of Tulare Parks & Community Services
No public comment

OR-672, Disabled Sports USA, Far West
Doug Poppelreuter, CA4WDC, support
Doug Pringle, Disabled Sports USA, support
Don Klusman, CA4WDC, support

OR-712, El Dorado County
Mike Gray, El Dorado County, support
Don Klusman, CA4WDCM support
Marcus Libkind, Snowlands Network, support

OR-699, Fresno County Sheriff
OR-700, Fresno County Sheriff
No public comment

OR-689, Humboldt County Sheriff
Don Klusman, CA4WDC, support
Pete Jimenez, Humboldt County Sheriff Dept., support

OR-669, Madera County Sheriff
No public comment

OR-718, Mendocino Resource Conservation District
Don Amador, BRC, support

OR-670, Mono County Sheriff
Cole Hampton, Mono County Sheriff Department, support
Jeff Stanford, Alpine County Sheriff Department, support
Jay Dobler, CNSA, support
Chaz O'Brien, Inyo NF, support

OR-719, Mono County Sheriff
Marcus Lipkind, Snowlands Network, support
Jeff Stanford, Alpine County Sheriff Department, support
Chaz O'Brien, Inyo NF, support
Jay Dobler, CNSA, support

OR-666, Napa County Sheriff
Mike Clark, Napa County Sheriff Department, support
Don Klusman, CA4WDC, support
Brad Colin, BLM, Ukiah Field Office, support

OR-695, Planning and Conservation League Foundation

Virgil Welch, Planning and Conservation League, support
Jim Gibson, Snowlands Network, support

OR-676, Plumas County Sheriff

OR-677, Plumas County Sheriff

Sylvia Milligan, CNSA, support

OR-683, Regents of the University of California

Fred Wiley, CNSA, oppose
Marcus Libkind, Snowlands Network, oppose
Jeff Stanford, Alpine County Sheriff Dept., have strong reservations but
oppose may be too strong

OR-685, San Benito County Sheriff

OR-667, San Joaquin County Sheriff

No public comment

OR-698, Santa Clara County Parks & Recreation

Michael Bacon, Santa Clara County, support
Mike Ruhstorfer, Santa Clara County, support

OR-673, Sierra County Sheriff

OR-674, Siskiyou County Sheriff

No public comment

OR-686, Stanislaus County Parks & Recreation

Cathy Gomez, Stanislaus County, support
Don Amador, BRC, support
David Pickett, AMA D-36, Motor Cycle Sports Committee, support

OR-668, Trinity County Sheriff

Don Amador, BRC, non-support
Don Klusman, CA4WDC, support

OR-671, Tuolumne County

Dick Rogers, Tuolumne County Sheriff Dept., support
Jeff Stanford, Alpine County Sheriff Dept., support
Tom Quinn, Stanislaus NF, support

OR-1-NO-47, BLM CA State Office, Arcata FO

Jim Keeler, BLM, support
Don Klusman, CA4WDC, support

OR-1-NO-48, BLM CA State Office, Arcata FO
Don Klusman, CA4WDC, support

OR-1-NO-49, BLM CA State Office, Eagle Lake FO
Don Klusman, CA4WDC, support

OR-1-H-10, BLM CA State Office, Hollister FO
Gene Cunningham, citizen/landowner, oppose
Don Klusman, CA4WDC, support (funding level not sure of)
Dave Pickett, AMA D36, support
George Hill, BLM, Hollister FO, needs to get back on update of
on law suits of BLM
Don Amador, BRC, support
Nick Haris, AMA, support

PUBLIC COMMENT, AGENDIZED AT 11:00 A.M.

Judith Spencer, CORE, suggested changing the order of the grants as opposed as to how they are listed on the agenda/spreadsheet.

Tom Quinn, Stanislaus National Forest, introduced Jerry Perez, Deputy Forest Supervisors. They updated the Commission on the Interface Trails Decision.

Don Amador, BRC, brought to the attention of the Commission that is unfair to issue mandates to the applicants and then don't approve a grant after they have met the mandates.

Sue Warren, Stanislaus National Forest, updated the Commission on the Road Decommissioning Cooperative Agreement. The road decommissioning involves three districts, MiWok, Summit and Groveland. Thirty miles has been accomplished this year and 13 miles will be done in 2005. She indicated the work is on schedule.

Acting Chair Anderson stated she found it interesting what the CPR's recommendations to the Governor is to abolish the Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation Commission.

It was also announced that this was the first meeting Daphne has attended in her new capacity as Deputy Director.

Deputy Director Greene, stated she wanted to make two announcements. One is to keep in perspective Mr. Amador's comments about the fact that we do have

our hands full this year. We have approximately \$39,000,000 in requests and \$17,000,000 available for allocation. .

At this time she took the opportunity to introduce the Division's new law enforcement officer, Jeff Gaffney. She then asked Jeff to stand so everybody will know who you are and welcomed him aboard.

REVIEW – NORTHERN CALIFORNIA GRANTS AND COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS (CONTINUED)

OR-1-NO-43, BLM CA State Office, Redding FO

Don Amador, BRC, support

Don Klusman, CA4WDC, support only ½ of amount

OR-1-NO-44, BLM CA State Office, Redding FO

No public comment

OR-1-NO-45, BLM CA State Office, Ukiah FO

Don Amador, BRC, concerned Ukiah did not submit O&M grant

Don Klusman, CA4WDC, support

OR-1-NO-46, BLM CA State Office, Ukiah FO

Don Klusman, CA4WDC, holding support

OR-2-E-65, USFS, Pacific SW Region, Eldorado NF

Anthony Botello, USFS, here to answer questions

Don Amador, BRC, ask for consideration

Marcus Libkind, Snowlands Network, oppose part of grant for Silver Bear

Don Klusman, CA4WDC, support O&M

Jay Dobler, CNSA, support

Lester Lubetkin, Eldorado NF, support

Karen Schambach, CSNC/PEER, stakeholders should take up O&M issue

OR2-E-66, USFS, Pacific SW Region, Eldorado NF

Don Klusman, CA4WDC, support

OR-2-E-67, USFS, Pacific SW Region, Eldorado NF

Don Klusman, hold support, need to have info cleared up

Lester Lubetkin, Eldorado NF, support

OR-2-HT-11, USFS, Pacific SW Region, Humboldt-Toiyabe NF

Gary Schiff, Humboldt-Toiyabe NF, support

Don Harris, Humboldt-Toiyabe NF, support

Larry Randall, Humboldt-Toiyabe NF, support

Larry Anderson, Humboldt-Toiyabe NF, support
Marcus Libkind, Snowlands Network, support, suggests do separate
summer/winter

OR-2-HT-23, USFS, Pacific SW Region, Humboldt-Toiyabe NF

Marcus Libkind, Snowlands Network, support
Don Klusman, CA4WDC, oppose
Jay Dobler, CNSA, (specific winter) support
Jeff Sanford, Alpine County Sheriff Dept., support
Anthony Botello, USFS, Pioneer, support
Chaz O'Brien, Inyo NF, support
Sue Warren, Stanislaus NF, support

OR-2-I-67, USFS, Pacific SW Region, Inyo NF

Don Amador, BRC, support
Chaz O'Brien, Inyo NF, support
Marcus Libkind, Snowlands Network, support
Sue Warren, Stanislaus NF, support

OR-2-K-54, USFS, Pacific SW Region, Klamath NF

Jim Stout, Klamath NF, here to answer questions
Jim Gibson, Snowlands Network, oppose grooming only

OR-2-K-55, USFS, Pacific SW Region, Klamath NF

No public comment

OR-2-LTB-53, USFS, Pacific SW Region, Lake Tahoe Basin NF

Eric Vien, Lake Tahoe Basin, here to answer questions
Doug Ridley, Lake Tahoe OHV Coordinator, law enforcement is #1 priority
Don Klusman, CA4WDC, support

OR-2-LTB-54, USFS, Pacific SW Region, Lake Tahoe Basin NF

Don Klusman, CA4WDC, support. He directed a question specifically
to Commission Legal Counsel Ken Pogue, "Is it legal for individual
Commission members to tell agencies to apply or not to apply for
O & M funding?"
Marcus Libkind, Snowlands Network, support or oppose, don't know

OR-2-LTB-55, USFS, Pacific SW Region, Lake Tahoe Basin NF

Elizabeth Norton, Lake Tahoe Basin, here to answer questions. She
Stated they have less wilderness intrusions. Thanked all her
Volunteers.

OR-2-LA-80, USFS, Pacific SW Region, Lassen NF

OR-2-LA-81, USFS, Pacific SW Region, Lassen NF

OR-2-LA-82, USFS, Pacific SW Region, Lassen NF

OR-2-LA-83, USFS, Pacific SW Region, Lassen NF

OR-2-LA-84, USFS, Pacific SW Region, Lassen NF

OR-2-LA-85, USFS, Pacific SW Region, Lassen NF

OR-2-LA-86, USFS, Pacific SW Region, Lassen NF

Sylvia Milligan, CNSA-ROC, supports all Lassen NF grants

Don Klusman, CA4WDC, supports all Lassen NF grants. Forest to be commended for its volunteers.

Doug Poppelreuter, CA4WDC, supports all Lassen NF grants

OR-2-ME-50, USFS, Pacific SW Region, Mendocino NF

OR-2-ME-51, USFS, Pacific SW Region, Mendocino NF

OR-2-ME-52, USFS, Pacific SW Region, Mendocino NF

Jack Horner, Mendocino NF, here to answer questions

Don Amador, BRC, support all Mendocino NF grants

OR-2-MO-19, USFS, Pacific SW Region, Modoc NF

OR-2-MO-20, USFS, Pacific SW Region, Modoc NF

OR-2-MO-21, USFS, Pacific SW Region, Modoc NF

Nora Hubbard, Modoc NF, here to answer questions

Don Amador, BRC, support all Modoc NF grants

OR-2-P-69, USFS, Pacific SW Region, Plumas NF

OR-2-P-70, USFS, Pacific SW Region, Plumas NF

OR-2-P-71, USFS, Pacific SW Region, Plumas NF

OR-2-P-72, USFS, Pacific SW Region, Plumas NF

Fred Krueger, Plumas NF, here to answer questions

Joe Hoffman, Plumas NF, gave overview of 9 restoration projects, all have been through the NEPA process.

Don Amador, BRC, support all Plumas NF grants

Sylvia Milligan, CNSA-ROC, support all Plumas NF grants

Jake Albright, Feather Falls Cascade Club, support all Plumas NF grants

Jim Gibson, Snowlands Network, support all Plumas NF grants

Doug Poppelreuter, CA4WDC, support all Plumas NF grants

OR-2-SE-59, USFS, Pacific SW Region, Sequoia NF

OR-2-SE-60, USFS, Pacific SW Region, Sequoia NF

OR-2-SE-61, USFS, Pacific SW Region, Sequoia NF

Norm Carpenter, Sequoia NF, here to answer questions and bring Commission up to date on GPS.

Don Amador, BRC, support all Sequoia NF grants

OR-2-SH-37, USFS, Pacific SW Region, Shasta-Trinity NF

OR-2-SH-38, USFS, Pacific SW Region, Shasta-Trinity NF

Ed Hatikita, Shasta-Trinity NF, here to answer questions

Sylvia Milligan, CNSA-ROC, support all Shasta-Trinity NF grants

Sky Zaffarano, Redding BLM, support all Shasta-Trinity NF grants

OR-2-SI-71, USFS, Pacific SW Region, Sierra NF

OR-2-SI-72, USFS, Pacific SW Region, Sierra NF

OR-2-SI-73, USFS, Pacific SW Region, Sierra NF

OR-2-SI-74, USFS, Pacific SW Region, Sierra NF

OR-2-SI-75, USFS, Pacific SW Region, Sierra NF

OR-2-SI-76, USFS, Pacific SW Region, Sierra NF

Susan Berkendine, Sierra NF, here to answer questions

Don Amador, BRC, support all Sierra NF grants

Marcus Libkind, Snowlands Network, does not support or oppose. Wants staff to look into claim of diminishing amount of funds for Sierra NF.

OR-2-SR-25, USFS, Pacific SW Region, Six Rivers NF

OR-2-SR-26, USFS, Pacific SW Region, Six Rivers NF

OR-2-SR-27, USFS, Pacific SW Region, Six Rivers NF

OR-2-SR-28, USFS, Pacific SW Region, Six Rivers NF

Raymond Craig, Six Rivers NF, here to answer questions

Don Amador, BRC, support all Six Rivers NF grants

OR-2-ST-54, USFS, Pacific SW Region, Stanislaus NF

OR-2-ST-55, USFS, Pacific SW Region, Stanislaus NF

OR-2-ST-56, USFS, Pacific SW Region, Stanislaus NF

OR-2-ST-57, USFS, Pacific SW Region, Stanislaus NF

OR-2-ST-58, USFS, Pacific SW Region, Stanislaus NF

OR-2-ST-59, USFS, Pacific SW Region, Stanislaus NF

OR-2-ST-60, USFS, Pacific SW Region, Stanislaus NF

OR-2-ST-61, USFS, Pacific SW Region, Stanislaus NF

OR 2-ST-62, USFS, Pacific SW Region, Stanislaus NF

Sue Warren, Stanislaus NF, here to answer questions

Don Amador, BRC, support all Stanislaus NF grants

Bob Kelso, Stanislaus Recreation Stakeholders, support all Stanislaus NF grants

Judith Spencer, CORE, support all Stanislaus NF grants

David Wheeler, Interface Agreement for Community Trails, support all Stanislaus NF grants

Warren Alfred, Interface Agreement for Community Trails, support all Stanislaus NF grants

Terry Woodrow, Alpine County Board of Supervisors, supports #61

Jim Gibson, Snowlands Network, supports winter related grants and opposes #58

OR-2-T-90, USFS, Pacific SW Region, Tahoe NF

OR-2-T-91, USFS, Pacific SW Region, Tahoe NF

OR-2-T-92, USFS, Pacific SW Region, Tahoe NF

David Michael, Tahoe NF, here to answer questions

Don Amador, BRC, support all Tahoe NF grants. Asked why go through route inventory and then don't allocate money.

OR-3-BR-08, Bureau of Reclamation, Mammoth Bar

Mike Lynch, Mammoth Bar, CA State Parks, here to answer questions

Dannas Berchtold, Mammoth Bar Task Force, support

Don Amador, BRC, support but why is Mammoth Bar only open 3 days a week?

Dave Pickett, AMA, D37, same as Don Amador

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further items on which to take public testimony, Acting Chair Anderson adjourned the meeting at 3:57 p.m.

Anthony I. Perez, Chief
California State Parks
OHMVR Division

Laurie Taylor
Executive Secretary
OHMVR Division

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